

AN ORDINANCE WAIVING FORMAL BIDDING REQUIREMENTS FOR DRAINAGE REHABILITATION AT DICKEY-STEPHENS BALLPARK; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, recent high precipitation in our area increased water levels, excessive flooding, and has been a major factor in triggering sink holes at the Dickey-Stephens ballfield; and

WHEREAS, with the spring baseball season approaching, it is imperative that repairs be expedited in order to avoid disruption of the upcoming Arkansas Travelers baseball season; and

WHEREAS, with time being of the essence, the City Engineer has researched the drainage problem at the ballfield and recommends field drainage rehabilitation as shown on the maps attached hereto, collectively, as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, Diamond Construction Company of North Little Rock, Arkansas, has performed work for the City in the past, is highly qualified to provide the field drainage rehabilitation work at the ballfield, and can commence work immediately; and

WHEREAS, based on review of the situation, the City Engineer recommends the City perform work that is generally described on the diagrams attached as Exhibit A for the cost of approximately \$375,000, as generally described on Exhibits B and C.

WHEREAS, based on the short time frame for completing the work, and the ability of a local contractor to complete the project, it is in the best interests of the City that recommendations of the City Engineer be accepted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That formal bidding requirements related to the drainage rehabilitation project at Dickey-Stephens Ballpark are hereby waived.

SECTION 2: The North Little Rock City Engineer is authorized to purchase such supplies and materials, and employ such contractors as may be necessary to perform work (as generally described on Exhibits A, B, and C attached hereto) for completion of the drainage rehabilitation project at Dickey-Stephens Ballpark within amounts appropriated in Section 3. Any and all contract documents will be approved by the City Attorney prior to execution.

SECTION 3: That the total amount of \$375,000.00 is hereby appropriated from the Sales Tax Capital Improvement Fund (funded as follows: \$88,000 from the Public Building Authority and \$287,000 from Carryforward Fund Balance).

SECTION 4: That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 5: That the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and if any section, phrase or provision shall be declared or held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remainder of the sections, phrases or provisions.

SECTION 6: It is hereby found and determined that there is a need to immediately perform drainage rehabilitation work at Dickey-Stephens Ballpark in order to allow safe and proper use of the facility for the 2016 baseball season, and being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare; THEREFORE, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.


PASSED:

APPROVED:

Mayor Joe A. Smith

SPONSOR:

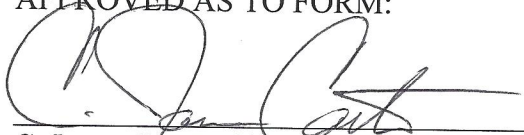
ATTEST:



Mayor Joe A. Smith

Diane Whitbey, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



C. Jason Carter, City Attorney

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/b